

**MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF
INMATES ADMITTED TO SCDC FY 2006**

OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION	BLACK MALES		BLACK FEMALES		WHITE MALES		WHITE FEMALES		OTHER MALES		OTHER FEMALES		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
DANGEROUS DRUGS	2,219	28.6%	170	23.5%	565	14.5%	178	21.7%	41	21.7%	3	25.0%	3,176	23.7%
BURGLARY	982	12.7%	38	5.3%	779	20.0%	73	8.9%	17	9.0%	1	8.3%	1,890	14.1%
ASSAULT	793	10.2%	57	7.9%	354	9.1%	42	5.1%	24	12.7%	0	0.0%	1,270	9.5%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	481	6.2%	29	4.0%	381	9.8%	73	8.9%	33	17.5%	1	8.3%	998	7.4%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	271	3.5%	151	20.9%	284	7.3%	179	21.8%	4	2.1%	0	0.0%	889	6.6%
ROBBERY	599	7.7%	25	3.5%	123	3.2%	13	1.6%	11	5.8%	0	0.0%	771	5.8%
LARCENY	350	4.5%	61	8.4%	259	6.6%	44	5.4%	6	3.2%	1	8.3%	721	5.4%
STOLEN VEHICLE	337	4.3%	11	1.5%	210	5.4%	21	2.6%	6	3.2%	1	8.3%	586	4.4%
FAMILY OFFENSE	290	3.7%	29	4.0%	200	5.1%	29	3.5%	9	4.8%	1	8.3%	558	4.2%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	164	2.1%	79	10.9%	137	3.5%	95	11.6%	5	2.6%	0	0.0%	480	3.6%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	268	3.5%	25	3.5%	82	2.1%	21	2.6%	7	3.7%	1	8.3%	404	3.0%
WEAPON OFFENSE	298	3.8%	7	1.0%	70	1.8%	4	0.5%	5	2.6%	0	0.0%	384	2.9%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	139	1.8%	0	0.0%	117	3.0%	3	0.4%	10	5.3%	0	0.0%	269	2.0%
HOMICIDE	151	1.9%	8	1.1%	58	1.5%	9	1.1%	5	2.6%	0	0.0%	231	1.7%
SEX OFFENSES	65	0.8%	0	0.0%	50	1.3%	1	0.1%	2	1.1%	0	0.0%	118	0.9%
STOLEN PROPERTY	51	0.7%	4	0.6%	48	1.2%	5	0.6%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%	109	0.8%
KIDNAPPING	78	1.0%	3	0.4%	15	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	96	0.7%
DAMAGED PROPERTY	35	0.5%	4	0.6%	43	1.1%	6	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	88	0.7%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	34	0.4%	3	0.4%	17	0.4%	4	0.5%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	59	0.4%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	27	0.3%	4	0.6%	25	0.6%	0	0.0%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	57	0.4%
ARSON	19	0.2%	4	0.6%	30	0.8%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	54	0.4%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	32	0.4%	2	0.3%	8	0.2%	4	0.5%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	47	0.4%
PUBLIC PEACE	17	0.2%	1	0.1%	4	0.1%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	23	0.2%
MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES	10	0.1%	0	0.0%	8	0.2%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%	22	0.2%
INVASION	12	0.2%	3	0.4%	3	0.1%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	19	0.1%
POSSESSION OF TOOLS	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	10	0.3%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.1%
SMUGGLING	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	6	0.2%	1	0.1%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	14	0.1%
CONSERVATION	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	11	0.1%
EMBEZZLEMENT	2	0.0%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	4	0.5%	0	0.0%	1	8.3%	9	0.1%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	2	0.0%	3	0.4%	1	0.0%	3	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.03%
DRUNKENNESS	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.02%
GAMBLING	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.01%
HABITUAL OFFENDER	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
BRIBERY	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
EXTORTION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
TAX REVENUE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.01%
TOTAL	7,751	100.0%	723	100.0%	3,900	100.0%	822	100.0%	189	100.0%	12	100.0%	13,397	100.0%

* Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each demographic group. Inmates often are committed to SCDC with many offenses, with each carrying a specific sentence, county of commitment, etc. To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. While the new methodology better represents offense severity, the definitional revision invalidates year to year comparisons and trend analysis of MSO distributions. All percentages rounded.